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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PORG, UNGA, RQ, UN  
SUBJ: COMMITTEE OF 24 (C-24) CONSIDERATION OF PUERTO RICO

REF: STATE 203061

1. POLOFF AUGUST 27 MADE POINTS CITED REFTEL TO JAZZAR, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS DIVISION, MFA. JAZZAR ASID HE UNDERSTOOD USG POSITION AND NOTED SYRIA WANTS TO BE COOPERATIVE. IN VIEW OF SYRIAN CALL FOR NON-ALIGNED MEETING IN NEW YORK TO DISCUSS ISRAELI MOVES IN OCCUPIED TERRITORIES, JAZZAR ASID SYRIA MUST SUPPORT NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES IN COMMITTEE OF 24 ON PRINCIPLE OF SELF-DETERMINATION. NOT WITHSTANDING THIS CONDITION, SYRIA HAS SOME FLEXIBILITY IN ITS POSITION. SYRIA WEA UNDER STRONG PRESSURE FROM CUBA TO CO-SPONSOR CUBAN DRAFT RESOLUTION. HOWEVER, SYRIA HAS INSTRUCTED ITS DELEGATION NOT TO DO THIS. FURTHERMORE, SYRIA WILL WORK WITH NON-ALIGNED BLOC TO AVOID ANY CONFRONTATION ON THIS ISSUE. JAZZAR CONCLUDED THAT SYRIA WILL DO WHAT IT CAN TO BE HELPFUL, BUT U.S. SHOULD KNOW THAT IN FINAL ANALYSIS SYRIA HAS NO OPTION BUT TO VOTE WITH NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES.

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